

## Kathy C. Jacobs, 57

Kathy C. Jacobs, 57, passed away at home on Dec. 20, 2011, in Bigfork.

She was born Jan. 1, 1954, in Corona, Calif., one of three children of Maxine and Charles Meznarich (now deceased). She graduated from Poway High School before going on to nursing school and obtaining her nursing license.

Kathy worked in health care for more than 30 years as a nurse and administrator, where she touched many people's lives. Everyone



knew her as a loving and caring person, and she was considered a "second mom" to many.

She loved to spend time with friends and family, bowling, laughing, researching her family tree and doing arts and crafts.

Kathy will be forever remembered by her mother, Maxine; brother, Mark Meznarich; her three children, Matthew and Tyler Jacobs and Kristen Thelen; son-in-law, Zach Thelen; and grandson, Benjamin Thelen.

Friends are invited to attend a celebration of Kathy's life this summer in Bigfork, with a spreading of her ashes.

## Audrey Jacobson, 83

Audrey Jacobson, 83, a longtime resident of the Hi-Line area, passed away peacefully of natural causes on Aug. 5, 2012, in Rockport, Texas.

She was born in Calvin, N.D., on Sept. 21, 1928, and moved to Montana with her family during the Depression. She was the valedictorian of Hamilton High School's Class of 1946.

Audrey married Gene Jacobson on Oct. 1, 1949, and they later settled down in Cut Bank where they raised their family of three boys. Audrey's passion was following the activities of her children and grandchildren; she rarely missed an event in which they were involved. Audrey also enjoyed bowling and playing golf with



her friends.

She worked as a bookkeeper with her brother Del Gage for many years, before moving across the mountains to Columbia Falls and later retiring to spend time at Flathead Lake and in Arizona.

Audrey is survived by her two sons, Terry and Beverly, and Greg and Lori; two brothers, Allan and Del Gage; and a sister, Marilyn Parker. She adored her three grandchildren, Todd and Aubrey, Katy and Jesse, and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gene; and her son Jay, who recently passed away.

A memorial service for both Audrey and Jay will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make donations to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America.

## Vickie L. Jackson, 55

Vickie L. Jackson, 55, died at her Kalispell residence on Monday, Oct. 24, 2011.

Services will be held at

a later date. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Irvin C. 'Jake' Jacobson, 94

Irvin C. "Jake" Jacobson, 94, passed away on Monday, Jan. 30, 2012, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

He was born Jan. 27, 1918, to Jacob O. Jacobson and Hilda (Tollerud)

Jacobson in Scobey. He attended schools in Scobey; and in 1935 joined the Civilian Conservation Corps and was stationed at Apgar (West Glacier), which brought them to the Flathead Valley.

He joined the Montana National Guard. In 1940, the Guard was called into active duty and sent to Fort Lewis, Wash., to train with Co. F 41st Division of the 163rd Infantry, U.S. Army, which in 1942 was sent to Australia aboard the Queen Elizabeth ocean liner. Jake served our country during World War II and experienced wartime action in New Guinea.

On April 19, 1944, he was married to Margaret L. Stebins. This spring, Irvin and Margaret would have celebrated 68 years of marriage.

Irvin was a member of the Teamsters Union and drove trucks on many construction jobs, including the Hungry Horse Dam. He also worked for Garrett Freight Lines. Irvin continued working at Lakeside Air Force Base, delivering food to the workers at the radar base atop Blacktail Mountain.



After retiring, Irvin and Margaret enjoyed traveling to visit friends in Sekiu, Wash., and also Bullhead City, Ariz. Many good times were had in the motorhome, from Alaska to Arizona, and everywhere in between.

Irvin had a love of fishing. He kept his boat, "Penny 2," named after his beloved dog, in Sekiu and enjoyed fishing with his wife and many good friends, especially Dick and Chris.

Irvin had a very special place in his heart for the furry, four-legged friends of his neighborhood. Always with pockets full of dog biscuits and treats, he would visit every one of them on his daily walks. They all brought him such joy.

Irvin was preceded in death by his parents, Jacob and Hilda Jacobson; brother, Oscar; and sisters, Dolores Fulbright and Harriet Henrikson.

He is survived by his devoted wife of nearly 68 years, Margaret; sister, Lorian Martin, of Gresham, Ore.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 3, at Northridge Lutheran Church, Kalispell.

Memorial contributions can be made in Irvin's name to Northridge Lutheran Church, Kalispell.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Irvin's family. You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to view Irvin's guest book, offer condolences and share memories.



## Marlene Ann Jacobsen, 79

Marlene Ann Jacobsen, 79, died Feb. 9, 2012, in Whitefish, with her husband by her side.



She was born March 12, 1932, to Tom and Thelma Carrig in Butte. Her father worked in the Butte mines for his entire career and her mother worked in the first electric bakery in Montana.

Activities with her children and family were her greatest joy. She was adored by her husband and profoundly loved by her entire family, including 15 grandchildren.

Upon graduating from the University of Montana in 1944 with a degree in home economics, she embarked on a 27-year career as a home economics teacher, primarily at West Junior High school in Great Falls. She loved her students.

Her family, career, and devout Catholic faith gave

her purpose, strength and peace throughout her life. She was never without a project to do, a fun event to experience, or someone to help out.

She was married to her husband, Arne Jacobsen, for 55 years. She is survived by her husband and four children, Heidi Jacobsen-Schley of Woodside, Calif., Christina Jacobsen-Feeny of Woodside, Arne Jacobsen of Highland, Utah, and Eric Jacobsen of Park City, Utah.

A celebration of her life will be shared by family members in Whitefish in the future. If you are a former student or acquaintance and interested in sending a personal note to be read at the family celebration, please send your email to [marlenecelebration@gmail.com](mailto:marlenecelebration@gmail.com).

You are invited to go to [www.austinhf.com](http://www.austinhf.com) and offer condolences, share memories and view Marlene's tribute wall.

Arrangements are entrusted to Austin Funeral Home.

## Willis Robert 'Bob' James, 64

Willis Robert "Bob" James, 64, died Monday, Oct. 24, 2011, at Health Center Northwest in Kalispell.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy James; and children, Bobbie Anderson, Terri Gueye and Jesse James.

A memorial potluck

dinner will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, at his daughter's home at 119 Wettington Drive in Kalispell. Call 212-3650 with any questions.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Joan Janes, 82

Joan Janes, 82, passed away on Sunday, April 1, 2012, at her home following a four-month battle with pancreatic cancer.



She was born on Dec. 10, 1929, in San Pedro, Calif., an only child to Richard and Mildred (Davis) Thurman.

Her father was a Naval officer and her early years were spent on various Naval bases. He retired prior to World War II, but at the start of the war was called to active duty. He was discharged at Treasure Island, Calif., where they decided to make their home.

Joan graduated from high school in San Jose, Calif.,

and then attended San Jose State University where she majored in physical education.

Sports were her love. She taught in San Jose for three years before taking a job in Santa Barbara, Calif. It was there that she met a recent University of California graduate, Bill Janes. The courtship led to their marriage in 1956.

The construction business was booming in California and Bill established a construction company. They lived in Los Altos, Calif., and in 1961 a daughter Janelle was born. In 1969, a son William was born.

Bill grew his construction company while Joan raised the family. In 1975, they moved to Kalispell where Bill continued in construction and land development.

Always the sports enthusiast, Joan's big challenge became winter skiing where she spent wonderful times on the slopes with family and friends. During the summer her first love was golf and later she enjoyed tennis.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Bill; and her parents.

She leaves her two children, Janelle Pinsoneault, and husband, Jim, and their children, Adrienne and Brigette of Spokane; and son, William Janes, and wife, Tiffany, of Seattle.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to Home Options Hospice, 430 Windward Way, Suite 101, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral

Home is caring for Joan's family. You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to offer condolences and view Joan's tribute wall.



## Alta M. Jensen, 97

Alta M. Jensen, 97, died at Brendan House in Kalispell Feb. 14, 2012, of natural causes.

Alta was born May 10, 1914, in Butte, the daughter of Howard and Mabel Brecktel.

She lived there until her marriage to Lloyd "Dick" R. Jensen Sept. 29, 1934, in Butte. The couple moved to Alberta, where their four children were born. In 1948, the family moved to Kalispell, and in 1951 they moved to a farm near Somers.

Raising their four children on the farm and working part time at the F.W. Woolworth store in Kalispell kept Alta busy over the years. She was also active for many years in the Lower Valley Garden Club.

In 1964 the farm was sold, and Alta and Dick moved to Kalispell where Alta enjoyed bowling, bingo, volunteering for various agencies and spending time with friends at Sykes' Restaurant.

Alta was preceded in death by her husband Lloyd "Dick" Jensen in 1992; her parents, Howard and Mabel Brecktel; her brother, Sidney Brecktel (killed in action in World War II); and a great-

grandson, Ryan Soderstrom, of Fairbanks, Alaska.

Surviving Alta are four children, Beverly and Jay Schmeekle of Kalispell, Deanna and King Billedeaux of Sun City West, Ariz., Erwin and Linda Jensen of Yuma, Ariz., and Polson, and Linda and Jim Heim of Lakeside. Alta is also survived by 12 grandchildren, Sheryl Soderstrom, Karen Jam, Bill Soderstrom, LeAnn Meadows, Kathy VanBuskirk, Valerie Jones, Susette Gertsch, Louie Billedeaux, Steve Jensen, Nikki Marchant, Roberta McCaslin and Roger Heim. Alta is also survived by 25 great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, and two first cousins.

Visitation will be from noon to 5 p.m. today, Feb. 17, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, at Glacier Memorial Gardens. The family suggests memorials be made to Brendan House or Greenwood Village Assisted Living.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Alta's family. You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to offer condolences and view Alta's tribute wall.

## Cora L. Jensen, 94

Cora L. Jensen, 94, of Belgrade, passed away of natural causes, March 26, 2012. She had been living at Open Arms Elder Care for the past two years.



Cora was born Sept. 15, 1917, in Great Falls to Robert and Nellie (Fish) Cline. She was the seventh of 10 children. The family ranches at Highwood and Ryegate, before moving to the Belgrade area where Cora attended and graduated from the Belgrade schools. She then attended college in Dillon and became a teacher and taught for several years.

The war broke out and Cora went to Seattle to work at the Boeing Air Craft Factory. John Jensen (her future husband) had enlisted in the Coast Guard and she followed him to the West Coast where they were married in Seattle in February of 1943.

They were blessed with many memories and friends while stationed in Garibaldi, Ore., along with two daughters, Jonne Lea and Sherrilynn.

The Jensens returned to Montana in September after the war and a son, Donald, was born. Cora remained a stay-at-home mom until she and John purchased the Belgrade Soda Fountain in the early '50s. She worked there until it sold in 1967. During that time she was very involved in school activities, PTA, sports and organizations her children were involved in.

For several years after selling the fountain, Cora became the manager of the Diana Shop, a ladies' clothing store in Bozeman, and then worked in the Bozeman Credit Union before retiring.

Her time after retiring was

spent with gardening, quilting and her church.

Cora was preceded in death by her father, Robert E. Cline, and mother, Nellie (Fish) Cline; her husband, John, in 1998; her son, Donald, in 2003; and grandson, Darryle Shearman, in 2007; four brothers, Gus, Walter, Wyman Lincoln "Tip" and Charles Eugene "Pat"; and three sisters, Julia Kent, Nellie "Sal" Jenkins and Mary Kilhorn.

Survivors include Jonne Lea and Leon Shearman and their children, Dwayne and Lori, and Shawn of Bozeman; Sherrilynn and George Haegele and children, Rick and Devra of Kalispell, and Robert and Tina of Bothell, Wash.; Donald's wife, Jana Jensen, of Fort Benton, and their children, David Jensen of Bozeman, Farah Jensen of Washington, and Dawn Marie DeGrave of New York.

Cora had 16 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Also surviving are her sister, Maxine and Dearie Hemund, of Whitehall; and brother, Bob and Betty Cline, of Bozeman; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. this evening, March 29, at Dokken-Nelson Sunset Chapel in Bozeman, with services at 2 p.m. Friday, March 30, also at Dokken-Nelson Sunset Chapel. Interment at Sunset Memorial Park will be followed by a reception at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Chapel in Belgrade, at 297 Bridger View Drive.

The family suggests memorials to the Belgrade Senior Center at 92 Cameron Ave., Belgrade, MT 59714; or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are in the care of Dokken-Nelson Funeral Service; [www.dokkennelson.com](http://www.dokkennelson.com)

## Levina A. Jensen, 96

Levina A. Jensen, 96, "went home to be with her beloved husband, Peter, and was welcomed home by her Lord and Savior" on Dec. 30, 2012.

She was born to Knute and Josephine Thompson in Froid, Mont., on Nov. 9, 1916.

She graduated from Waldorf College and Seattle Pacific University and taught elementary students in Missoula, until she married Peter Jensen of Bigfork.



Levina is survived by her brothers, Ray and Howard Thompson, in addition to her

many beloved nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 7, at Central Bible Church in Kalispell. Flowers can be sent to the church.



## James Walter Jensen, 78

James Walter Jensen, 78, died Wednesday, July 25, 2012, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 1, at the Beth-

any Lutheran Church in Bigfork, with the Rev. Christopher Miller officiating.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Jim W. Jensen, 78

Jim W. Jensen, 78, "went to our Father" on July 25, 2012, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Jim was born on March 25, 1934, in Kalispell in a house on Third Avenue West, to Catherine and Christen Jensen.

Jim started and ended his school career in the Kalispell School District and graduated from Flathead County High School.

Before enlisting in the Navy in February of 1953, he worked as a logger for Ernie Kinshella.

Upon entering the Navy he was sent to San Diego for Boot Camp. He was assigned to the USS Bremerton, where he joined the cruiser in Yokosuka, Japan. After three years aboard the USS Bremerton, he was transferred to the USS Tausig for 10 months. During his ten months on USS Tausig, he and his shipmates made four cruises to the Far East during the Korean Conflict. In 1957, Jim separated from the Navy. After spending four years in the Ready Reserve, he received an honorable discharge in 1961.



133) and transferred to Glendive for six months. Havre was his next station, from July of 1980 to June of 1983. Jim received a promotion to lieutenant (badge No. 120) and transferred to Butte in June of 1983. Eight months later the Highway Patrol transferred him to Helena, where he served as an inspector until October of 1986. The announcement of his retirement from the Highway Patrol brought one last transfer to the Communication Center in Helena, where he served as commander until Sept. 30, 1986. Jim returned to Bigfork, where he and his family established a permanent residence in 1971.

The road being in his blood from the Highway Patrol, he longed to return to driving. He became a driver for Carie Trucking in February of 1987. He delivered various petroleum products. In April 1992, Jim moved his driving career to City Service as a part-time employee. His travels with City Service took him to Oregon; Idaho; Montana; British Columbia, Canada; and Alberta, Canada. The driving was mainly fill-ins on weekends, holidays and the summer months.

Jim joined Marlys in driving a school bus for Bigfork School District. He drove from Yellow Bay to Woods Bay picking up children and getting them safely to and from school. Jim had many fond memories of the children he drove. The ones that remained close to Bigfork would run into him and often let him know how they were doing. He retired from driving school bus.

In May of 1957, Jim returned to Kalispell and became a deputy for the Flathead County Sheriff's Department. During his time with the Sheriff's Department, he was selected to attend the first class of the Montana Law Enforcement Academy at Montana State University. He served as the secretary/treasurer of the Flathead Life Saving and Rescue Association.

Jim was married to Marlys Mielke of Osakis, Minn., on Jan. 16, 1960. He returned to Kalispell with his bride and remained a deputy sheriff.

In December of 1962, Jim was hired as a probationary patrolman with the Montana Highway Patrol. His first position was as a civilian driver examiner. In April and May of 1963, was sent through the Highway Patrol Academy at Fort Harrison, located in Helena. He returned to his driver examiner post as a uniformed officer (badge No. 237) upon his completion of the Highway Patrol Academy. In July 1964, Jim was transferred to Libby as a patrol officer. The two-man station saw the beginning of Libby Dam. In March of 1970, he was assigned to the Bigfork post as the first resident patrolman. In December of 1979, he received a promotion to sergeant (badge No.

Jim currently held the office of president for both the USS Bremerton Reunion and U.S. Navy Cruiser Sailors Association. He has held the position of past master for the Bigfork Masonic Lodge.

Jim is survived by his wife, Marlys; and three daughters and their families, Kim, Marv and Kayla Gielen of Bigfork, Kristie Jensen of Dundee, Ore., and Kari, Todd, Kearsten and Scott Friedrich of Newberg, Ore.

Jim was preceded in death by his father, Christen Jensen; and mother and stepfather, Ben and Ann Hebert.

He will be greatly missed by many.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Montana Hope Project, P.O. Box 5927, Helena, MT 59604, also online at [www.montanahope.com](http://www.montanahope.com), or Bethany Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 398, Bigfork, MT 59911.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Aug. 1 at Bethany Lutheran Church, 8559 Montana 35, in Bigfork.



## Bryce Arle Johnson, 74

Bryce Arle Johnson "went to be with his Lord and Savior" on Jan. 21, 2012.

Born Oct. 21, 1937,

Bryce was the second-born son of Arle "Swede" and Bessie Mallory Johnson of Polson. He and his brother Elliot grew up on the south shore of Flathead Lake where they fished, hunted, took summer swims and went winter ice skating.

Bryce graduated from Polson High School in 1955. He attended the University of Montana before he landed his dream job working in the accounting office for the Great Northern Railroad in Whitefish.

He married Ardith Cox June 5, 1965, and the two moved around the state of Montana where he had an enjoyable and challenging career with Great Northern/Burlington Northern Railroad.

The couple raised two sons, Corey and David, while they lived in Kalispell, Whitefish, Missoula, Billings and Havre.

After Bryce retired in 1994, he eventually returned to his hometown of Polson.

Bryce enjoyed spending time with his family, playing cards, bowling, golfing and traveling around the United States to view God's amazing creation. He was a tremendous husband, encouraging father, loving grandfather



and a faithful servant in the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church.

Bryce lived with Type I diabetes for 58 years and courageously endured numerous health problems. Over the last nine months, Bryce battled cancer. Through all of this, Bryce gave glory to God for being able to live so many years surrounded by such a supportive and loving family.

Bryce was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Ardith; his son, David Johnson, of Spokane; his son, Corey Johnson, daughter-in-law Audrey, and grandsons, Jacob and Isaac, of Kalispell; his brother, Elliot, and Hattie Johnson, of Polson; his stepmother, Marie Johnson, of Polson; Randy and Julia, his children from a previous marriage; as well as numerous cousins, nephews and nieces.

Services for Bryce will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, followed by a burial service at Polson's Lake View Cemetery and a luncheon in the fellowship hall of the church.

The family suggested memorials to the donor's local food bank, or to Bryce's cancer support group, Cheerful Heart Inc., P.O. Box 688, Polson, MT 59860.

Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory, Polson, considers it a privilege to care for the Johnson family. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family online at [www.groganfuneralhome.com](http://www.groganfuneralhome.com).

## Edward J. Johnson, 85

Edward J. Johnson, "passed on to join family" on Jan. 15, 2012, surrounded by family and friends.



Edward was born Nov. 25, 1926, in Missoula to Chris and Julia Johnson who lived on Hiberta in Orchard Homes.

Dad enjoyed life his way right to the end, cracking jokes and telling stories of bygone days.

Dad married Florence Waters, and Geri and Ed Jr. were born; as it happens they divorced, and he married Beatrice Hauck, who brought Richard, Kenneth and Ronald, whom Dad adopted. Later in life he finally found his soul mate in Bette, and they lived a full life, traveling, fishing and doing yard work until she passed away in August of 1997.

Ed worked for the Montana State Highway Department for 30 years, traveling all over the state of Montana, finally settling in Kalispell. He had fun with his guy buddies, going to breakfast, fishing, golfing, and just being Dad.

He lived for visitors to come and share his corner of the world. He was well known for his yard grooming and spotless driveway.

"Yes, Dad, Janna and Richard cleaned the driveway last night from the snow."

Ed's family would like to thank Hospice, especially Lori who was our special angel, and Sarah, Janna, Kent, Kathy, Bob and Marcia who helped make it possible for Dad to be at home as he wished.

"Dad, we love you and

miss you, even Bear, but we know you are having a great Johnson reunion. Hugs and kisses, and God bless."

Ed was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Ronald Johnson; wife, Bette Johnson; and ex-wife, Beatrice Johnson; and siblings, Ethel, Pearl, Ruth, Harold, Bob and Dale.

He is survived by his children, Richard and wife Joan Johnson of Kentucky, Geri and husband Gene Ball of 9-mile Huson, Kenneth Johnson of Victor, and Edward Johnson Jr., of Missoula; grandchildren, Steven Ball of 9-mile, Stacey Ball of Florence, Jennifer Johnson of Missoula, Michael and wife LaMonica Johnson of Turah, Thomas Johnson of Kentucky, and Timothy and wife Katie Johnson of Kentucky; great-grandchildren, Nickolas Ball and Natasha Ball, both of Missoula, Alyssa Johnson, Mia Johnson and Tyson Johnson, all of Turah, and Levi Johnson of Kentucky; other special family members, niece Debbie Caffrey, Daniel, Sarah, Janna, Bob and Marcia Hailey, Joe, Tony, Julie and husband Bill Baumbach, and Bob Johnson Jr.; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

A celebration of Ed's life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, at the Faith Alliance Church, 348 Second Avenue West, in Kalispell.

The family requests that you make any memorials in Ed's name to Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop Suite 100, Kalispell, MT.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family. You are invited to go to [www.buffalohillfh.com](http://www.buffalohillfh.com) to leave a special message for the family.

## Dormalea C. Johnson, 79

Dormalea C. Johnson, 79, formerly of Kalispell, died of natural causes Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2012, at Riverside Health Care

Center in Missoula. Cremation is under the care of Cremation & Burial Society of the Rockies.



## Elliott Johnson, 77

Elliott passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 12, 2012.

He was born June 19, 1934, in Polson, to Arle and Bess Johnson.

He attended the Polson schools and was active in sports. After graduation, he attended Rocky Mountain College on scholarships he received in football and basketball.

He joined the Army with 12 other young men from Lake County and was eventually shipped to Korea.

He later worked in marine construction, helping to build and working on the SS Hodge. He owned and operated Elliott's barber shop for almost 30 years.

He was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying fishing, hunting, boating and traveling with his family and friends. He was an active member of the Polson Jaycees, where he received the Distinguished Service Award, and Polson Outdoors Inc., and supporter



of Polson athletics' "purple and gold." He was also a big fan of the New York Yankees and Oakland Raiders.

In 1957, he married Hattie Kimble. Their union produced three children, Josie, Brian and Roger.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Arle and Bess; his son, Roger; and his brother, Bryce.

He is survived by his loving wife, Hattie; daughter, Josie; son, Brian, and his wife Julie, their children Cassie, Boone and wife Samantha Johnson; granddaughter, Kristin, and husband, Justin Doble; grandson, Ross; and many friends and family.

Honorary pallbearers will be Wally Weivoda, Darry Dupuis and Chuck Walling. A graveside service with military honors will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 16, at Lakeview Cemetery, with Wes Vert officiating. Reception will follow immediately after at the Elks Lodge in Polson.

Grogan Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements. Messages of condolence may be shared with the family online at [www.groganfuneralhome.com](http://www.groganfuneralhome.com).

Then the recession of the 1970s hit and he decided to move his family to Davenport, Iowa, and attend Palmer College of Chiropractic. He graduated three years later with honors and set up practice in Everett. In 1994, he sold his Everett practice and moved to Bigfork where he and Sheila had spent many vacations and fallen in love with the area and its people. Harlen truly enjoyed chiropractic and practiced in Bigfork for another 15 years. He sold his practice in 2008, and two years

A celebration of his life will be announced later, and events will be held in both Montana and Washington.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, P.O. Box 19024, Mail Stop J5-200, Seattle, WA 98109.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Harlen's family. You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to offer condolences and sign Harlen's guest book.

## Harlen Harvey Johnson, 70

Harlen Harvey Johnson, 70, passed away July 9, 2012, following a courageous 20-month battle with pancreatic cancer, at his home in Bigfork.

Harlen was born in Wenatchee, Wash., to Olga K. Reimann Johnson and Gilbert C. Johnson on May 7, 1942. He moved to Seattle at the age of 4 with his family. He graduated from Shoreline High School in 1961.

He attended Everett Community College in Everett, Wash., for two years, then transferred to Central Washington University in Ellensburg, Wash., where he received two Bachelor of Science degrees and one Master of Science degree.

In 1964, he married Sheila Edwards and they had two boys, Dean and Darren. Harlen and Sheila celebrated their 48th anniversary on July 3, 2012. They shared many wonderful adventures in their married life. Hiking, fishing, photography, hunting, cowboy action shooting and Boy Scouts with their boys were among the adventures he enjoyed the most.

Harlen's first career, following graduation from college, was teaching science classes in Tonasket, Wash., where their first son Dean was born. He taught there for two years and then moved his family to Everett to be closer to his father who was dying of pancreatic cancer. He taught two years at Marysville-Pilchuck High School in Marysville, Wash. His second son Darren was born at that time. He then worked for three years as an environmental consultant and microbiologist.

later was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

While working in Everett, Harlen became active in Boy Scouts of America as a Scoutmaster where he led a large troop on many adventures to include summer camp, many overnight backpack trips, and several 50-miler backpack trips. He touched the lives of many young men, many of whom became Eagle Scouts.

He later was asked to be council commissioner for the Evergreen Council in Everett, which is the highest position a volunteer can hold. He was honored with the Silver Beaver Award, which is also the highest award a volunteer can receive.

In Montana, Harlen became actively involved in teaching Hunter Safety Education and recently received his 15-year volunteer award.

One of the most rewarding adventures Harlen and Sheila had was to go to Guatemala on several occasions and do mission work with the Hands for Peacemaking organization. In the tiny village of Barillias, they helped set up a small mission hospital and clinic to help natives who had never received medical care as we know it. Initially, he and a friend set up the X-ray department and Sheila set up the primitive laboratory. He assisted the doctors and also was able to help many folks with chiropractic. He enjoyed this commitment greatly.

Harlen is survived by his wife, Sheila; son, Dean and wife Tami, son, Darren and wife Diane; sister Betty, and husband Curt and his beautiful grandchildren.



## Jeff Johnson, 45

Jeff Johnson, 45, of Kalispell, passed peacefully surrounded by loved ones and friends on Dec. 6, 2012.



Jeff Johnson was born in Ritzville, Wash., on Feb. 7, 1967, to Lawrence and Francis Johnson. During his lifetime, Jeff lived in Sprague, Wash., and Seattle, and later spent time in Polson, Columbia Falls, Whitefish, Hungry Horse and Kalispell.

Jeff spent the past 10 years working and living at Flathead Industries in Kalispell. He was a man of great stature and proved himself a valuable member of Flathead Industries' thrift stores and production facilities, where he worked alongside dozens of co-workers

who called him friend.

Fondly remembered for his gentle spirit and his booming baritone laughter, Jeff made himself indispensable in his abilities and proficiency for doing jobs that even some staff found daunting. With the physical strength of two men, and a sensitive heart for helping others, Jeff truly made his mark among the people who collectively are a family at Flathead Industries.

Jeff was preceded in death by his father, Lawrence.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Frances Bogle, and stepfather, Mark Bogle, both of Cheney, Wash.; and three brothers, Jonathon, Matthew and Walter.

A memorial service for Jeff will be held between noon and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, at the Kalispell Thrift Store, in the Processing Room.

## Mark Lowell Johnson, 56

Mark Lowell Johnson, age 56, passed away Thursday, May 24, 2012, in Kalispell.

Mark was born August 2, 1955 in Rice Lake, Wis.

He graduated from Minnetonka High School in 1973 and continued his schooling at Hennepin County Technical training in Landscape Design.

Mark moved to Montana in 1974 and was the owner of Majestic Mountain Landscaping, Inc., the longest existing landscaping business in Kalispell.

With his Montana family he enjoyed skiing in the many mountain areas, sail-



ing out of the yacht club at Flathead Lake, kite skiing, camping on Haskill Mountain adjacent to his home in Kila, where his ashes will be spread at a later date.

Mark was preceded in death by his loving mother Dolores E. Johnson. He is survived by his father Wallace "Wally" M. Johnson of Plymouth, Minn; son Shawn MacNorius of Whitefish; brother Scott, Todd (Tammy); sister Jill Nystedt (Gary); cousins Kent Jones (Mary), Bruce (Dee), Lowell (Linda); and many nephews and nieces.

A celebration of Mark's life will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 31, at the Christian Center in Kalispell.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory caring for the family.

## Kevin 'Cab' Johnson, 83

Kevin "Cab" Johnson, 83, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family, on Wednesday, July 4, 2012, following a short illness. Having served in the United States armed forces, his death on the Fourth of July is most fitting.



Kevin was born May 2, 1929, in Kalispell to Clarence and Ruth Johnson, the youngest of eight children. From his earliest years, Kevin loved the Flathead Valley, the mountains and fishing the lakes, streams and rivers of Montana.

He graduated from Flathead County High School, where he excelled in many sports. Following graduation, Kevin joined the U.S. Army and served as a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C.

After the Army, Kevin returned to Montana and enrolled at Western Montana College in Dillon. He returned to Kalispell and met the love of his life, Peggy Callan of Anaconda. They were married Dec. 29, 1956, and were blessed with five beautiful children.

The majority of his working life was spent with the U.S. Postal Service in Kalispell. He was well-respected by his co-workers, many of whom he counted as friends. Working the early morning shift allowed Kevin

time to coach and support his children in their many endeavors.

With his gentle spirit he shared his love of nature with his family, taking them on many fishing trips, vacations and by simply getting dirty in the garden. After retirement, Kevin and Peggy moved to the Village Greens community in Evergreen, where he loved playing a round of golf and was also employed as a groundskeeper. They wintered in Arizona for several years and made many new and lasting friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and six of his siblings, Leo, Lila, Shirl, Stan, Leonard and an infant who died at birth.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy; his children, Mary and Marc Connolly, and Joseph Johnson, all of Kalispell, K.C. and Rachele Johnson of Columbia Falls, and Janice and Tim Dunnahoo, and Ruthann and Jeff Little of Tempe, Ariz.; his sister, Hazel Motichka of Kalispell; nine grandchildren; and many other relatives. He also leaves behind his dog, Biscuit.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated for Kevin at 10 a.m. Monday, July 9, at Risen Christ Catholic Church in Evergreen.

Donations may be made to St. Matthew's School or The Risen Christ Rectory Building Project Fund.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Kevin's family. You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to offer condolences and sign Kevin's guest book.



## Stanley P. Johnson, 75

Stanley P. Johnson, 75, died at a Phoenix hospital from a heart condition on March 4, 2012.

He was the former Liberty County assessor.

Survivors are his wife, Bonnie, of Chester; and four children, including son, Jennings Johnson, of

Kalispell.

Vigil prayers will be 7 p.m. Sunday, March 11, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Chester. Funeral Mass will be 11 a.m. Monday at the church.

Arrangements are by Rockman Funeral Chapel in Chester.

## Clarence W. Jolma, 87

Clarence W. Jolma, 87, passed away in Kalispell with his family at his side.

Clarence was born on Dec. 12, 1924, in Marengo, Wis., to Edward and Anna Jolma.

After high school, Clarence attended watch and clockmaker school at Pittsburg Horological Institute, where he received his certification as a watch- and clockmaker.

When World War II started, Clarence enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served in Northern Africa, Italy and France. He received the Bronze Arrowhead.

Clarence married Barbara Heidegger in 1953. They were married for 58 and a half years.

During his lifetime he worked as a welder, longshoreman, logger, watch-



maker and rancher.

Clarence was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Glenn and Raymond; sister, Greta; and a baby granddaughter, Barbara Lynn.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara, of Hot Springs; children, Colleen and Ron Charlson, Thelma and Perry Rosenlund, Aaron and Dede Jolma, Twila and Rod Massie, Joyce and Gary Munger, Eric and Tara Jolma, Jennifer and Chuck Hoff, and Marcia and Brady Fellman; siblings, Mae and Bob Wirtinen, and Jean and Clarence Uskoski; 50 grandchildren and 112 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. today, Oct. 4, at the Old Apostolic Church in Lakeside. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 5, at the Old Apostolic Church in Lakeside; interment will follow the service at the Lonepine Cemetery in Hot Springs.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Agustine Jimenez Jones, 51

Agustine Jimenez Jones, 51, died at Brendan House in Kalispell on Dec. 7, 2012.

She is survived by her children, Dennis Perez, Diana Delgado

and Gabriel Delgado, all of Kalispell. Private family burial will take place.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Karla Jones

A celebration of life for Karla Jones, 80, who died Nov. 30, 2011, will be held

from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 9, at Vista Linda Restaurant in Somers.

## Allan Lee Jones, 65

Allan Lee Jones, 65, passed away at his home in Kalispell the morning of April 17, 2012.

He was born July 10, 1946, in Lewistown, the son of Delmont W. Jones and Elnona Ljungman Hayes. Allan attended school in Lewistown.

He began guitar lessons at a young age and learned to play and enjoy this instrument, which became his lifelong hobby. Allan also enjoyed hunting, fishing and picking berries in the beautiful Montana mountains and spending winters in Arizona.

Allan was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served in the U.S. Army, worked for the department of highways in both Montana and Oregon, and at one time owned the



sports shop Flicker Tail Sporting Goods in Kalispell. Allan was also a member of the Kalispell Moose Lodge and the Eagles Lodge.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife of 35 years, Bettie Lucille Gamber; and a brother, Gene Hayes.

Allan is survived by his dear friend, Debbie Kerouac, of Kalispell; three stepsons, Stephen, Gary and Ronald Lemens; along with five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren in the Sedalia, Mo., area; and a sister, Helen Humphreys, of Pocatello, Idaho.

He will be sadly missed by many.

A celebration of life will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at the Moose Lodge.

Arrangements for cremation are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell.

## Donna Joyce Jones, 76

Donna Joyce Jones, 76, passed away on Friday, Sept. 7, 2012, at North Valley Hospital.

Donna was born on Nov. 12, 1935, in Marcel, Minn., to William and Olga (Bade) Johnston.

On April 20, 1952, Donna married the love of her life, Edward Jones Jr. They were blessed with 59 years and five children together before Edward's death in August of 2011.

"Our family finds great peace in the fact that the two of them have been reunited in Heaven."

Donna was a member of Eastern Star for over 40 years. She loved going to garage sales with friends and collecting bells. Her daughter Debbie traveled extensively, helping her to collect bells from all over the world. She also enjoyed ceramics and knitting.

Donna's sense of humor will be missed by all; her grandchildren were the light of her life and she treasured her time with them watching them grow up. She was an amazing mother and homemaker. We were truly blessed to have her for our mother. She was a great cook, and made the best home-



made bread. We will miss Christmas gathering at her small home which was overcrowded with family.

Donna was preceded in death by her husband, Edward; parents, William and Olga Johnston; one brother, and two sisters.

She is survived by her children, Cathy Jones-Aastrom, Debbie Melby and Mike Jones, all of Columbia Falls, Gregg Jones of Wisconsin, and Janice Jones of Williams, Ariz.; her brother, Jim Johnston of Texas; sisters, Audrey Nelson and Mary Hafeman of Bigfork, Minn.; special sister-in-law, Myrt Hart; eight grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and one on the way, due in October; many nieces and nephews; and many people who knew and loved her.

The family suggests that memorials be made in Donna's name to North Valley Hospital. We cannot thank them enough for their loving care of our dear mother.

A celebration of Donna's life will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 15, at Columbia Mortuary.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Columbia Mortuary.

You are invited to go to [www.columbiamortuary.com](http://www.columbiamortuary.com) to offer condolences and view Donna's tribute wall.



## Paul Eugene Jones, 86

Paul Eugene Jones, 86, of Kalispell died peacefully on June 29, 2012, of heart complications, with his wife Wilma at his side.



Paul was born in Fedora, S.D., on April 24, 1926, the oldest of Marie and Lloyd Jones' nine children.

He was raised on a nearby farm and went to school in Fedora, S.D.

Paul proudly served in the United States Air Force from 1944 to 1946, and was stationed in England during World War II.

Paul married Wilma (Powell) on Feb. 7, 1956; they were married 56 wonderful years. She was his best friend and they shared together a love of laughter, garage sales, card playing, the outdoors, reading, their

pets and of course, family.

Paul loved automobiles, particularly classic models, a passion nurtured during his many years as an auto body man in towns and cities in South Dakota, Wyoming, Minnesota, Iowa, Alaska and Montana, where he continued to work until a few months before his death.

Paul is survived by his wife, Wilma; son, Bruce; daughters, Sharon and Judy; grandchildren, Dorothy, Michelle, Chauncey and Paul; three great-grandchildren; brothers, Lloyd, Don, Jack and Larry, and their wives; sisters, Marjorie, Rita, Jessie and Karen, and their husbands; and many loving nieces, nephews and friends.

Wilma wishes to thank her friends and family for all of their support.

A celebration of Paul's life will be held at 2 p.m. on July 7, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell. All are welcome.

## Ella L. Jenkins, 81

Ella L. Jenkins, 81, of Troy, died Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2012, at the Libby Care Center.

Survivors include her children, Darrell Jenkins and Bobi Sullivan, both of Troy.

Services will be at 3

p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Troy Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, located on Lake Creek Road, with Dave Winn presiding.

Arrangements are under the care of Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home.

## Ruth A Jester, 85

Ruth A Jester, 85, died Thursday, Dec. 27, 2012, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

She is survived by her son, Andrew Jester.

Memorial services for Ruth will be held at 2 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 5 at the Community United Methodist Church at 750 Electric Avenue in Bigfork.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Malinda Jessup, 99

Malinda Jessup, 99, died at Immanuel Lutheran Home Sept. 21, 2012.

Burial will take place in Regan, N.D., at a later

date.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is handling arrangements for the family.

## Gordon P. Jore, 75

Gordon P. Jore, 75, passed away on Friday, Sept. 14, 2012, at the Mountain View Care Center in Ronan where he had been a resident for several years. He was born in Keene, N.D. on April 30, 1937, to Benert and Merriam Jore.

Gordon was a 1956 graduate of Ronan High School. He went in the Army the same year. He spent 18 months of his enlistment in Korea and four years after his discharge in the Army Reserve. He was employed by Plum Creek Lumber for 15 years. He loved driving truck, which he did for many years. His last driving job was hauling parts for his nephews at Jore, Inc. Gordon was also a stock car enthusiast and raced for several years on the old dirt track in Pablo.

Gordon was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Phil

Langland.

He is survived by his wife, Gerry; his son Jim (Kristi) Jore, of Polson; his daughter Shelly (Steve) Wilson, of Balantine; twin daughters Janna (Jay) Conklin, of East Missoula, and Joell (Gene) Conklin, of Ronan; 14 grandchildren, Eric, Danielle, Jeremy, Lyndsie, Jacob, Lukas, Justin, Brian, Alisha, Elizabeth, Melina, Lawson, Jonathan and Olivia; one great-granddaughter, Lola; brothers Merle Jore, of Ronan, and Bill Langland, of Chula Vista, Calif.; sisters Cora Waldock, of Minot, N.D., Eleanor Gafkjen, of Williston, N.D., and Lucille Chandler, of Concord, N.C.; and many nieces and nephews.

Military graveside services will be held at 11 a.m., Sept. 29, at the Ronan Cemetery. A reception will follow at the Ronan VFW on Round Butte Road.